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counselor to Bishop Henry W. Smith of the Farnum Ward Jan. 22, 1911; was sustained as Bishop of the Farnum Ward in November, 1913, and ordained a Bishop Feb. 1, 1914, by Hyrum G. Smith. He married Mary Blanch Alexander Dec. 16, 1891; she died June 22, 1898, leaving one son, seven months old (Robert Rue). In 1903 Bro. Murdock married Martha Louannie Hammon; this union has been blessed with five children, namely, Blanch Priscilla, Brigham Dallas, Reed Chase, Thomas Hammon, and Laura Jean.

**MURDOCK, Joseph**, a veteran Elder in the Church, was born Nov. 14, 1783, in Lebanon, Windham county, Connecticut, the son of William and Sarah Murdock. He married Sally Stacey about 1827. Becoming converts to "Mormonism" Bro. Murdock and his wife were baptized about 1840 and traveled across the country by wagon to Kirtland, Ohio, where they remained a short time and then continued the journey to Nauvoo, Ill., where they arrived in the early part of 1841. Here Joseph Murdock died in 1844, but the family remained until the exodus of 1846. One of the sons contracted a severe cold, swimming cattle across the Missouri river at the time of the exodus, from the effects of which he died; he was the first man buried on the Nebraska side of the river. The family now consisted of the mother and her two sons, Nymphas Cordion and Joseph Stacey. They settled temporarily at Winter Quarters and came to Utah in Ira Eldredge's company in 1847.

**MURDOCK, Sally Stacey**, wife of Joseph Murdock, was born April 22, 1788, near New Salem, Franklin county, Mass., the daughter of Nymphas and Sarah Stacey. As the wife of Joseph Murdock she came to the Valley in the fall of 1847 with the first families that crossed the plains and endured hardships and privations in common with the Saints until

the time of her death, through all of which she evinced unshaking faith and confidence in the truths of the gospel. She died Sept. 25, 1864, of



general debility, aged 76 years, leaving a large family and numerous friends to mourn her loss.

**MURDOCK, Joseph Stacey**, first Bishop of Heber City, Wasatch county, Utah, was born June 26, 1822, in Madison county, New York,



the son of Joseph Murdock and Sally Stacey, and died Feb. 15, 1899, in Heber City.



18. Historic Site, National Register — **THE JOSEPH STACY MURDOCK HOME**, located at 115 East 300 North, is an example of an early red sandstone home. It was built about 1862. Joseph Stacy Murdock and the Ute Chief Tabby, signed the Blackhawk War Peace Treaty in this home on August 20, 1867.



**JOSEPH STACY MURDOCK**  
First Bishop of Heber City